

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 1589 – SB 1737

March 21, 2018

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Authorizes any copy of a report required to be filed with the Legislative Reference and Law Library (LRL) to be filed with the LRL in an electronic format.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (015110): Deletes all language after the enacting clause. Adds circumstances for when additional candidates may qualify for a primary or nonpartisan general election after the qualifying deadline, or be nominated by a political party as a candidate for the General Assembly.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Under current law, pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 2-5-101(g), after the qualifying deadline, if certain circumstances occur which leave no candidate for nomination or office on the ballot, the qualifying deadline is extended and additional candidates may qualify for election or nomination within 40 days of an election.
- The proposed language adds two circumstances in which the qualifying deadline will be extended and allow for additional candidates to appear on the ballot.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 2-13-204, if a political party's candidate for any office dies or withdraws due to military service or disability, a new nomination may be made by the former nominee's party.
- The proposed language will add two circumstances in which political parties are authorized to nominate a new candidate for General Assembly.
- Providing additional circumstances for when candidates may be nominated or qualify for election after the qualifying deadline will not result in any significant increase in state or local government expenditures.

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CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Krista M. Lee". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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